

H. Res. 994

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

April 14, 2008.

Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia affects men, women, and children of all ages;

Whereas this disorder is very distressing to those who have it, causing great discomfort and severe emotional stress;

Whereas children with Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia are unable to participate in many normal childhood activities including most sports and are often subject to social discomfort because of their disorder;

Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia includes a wide range of symptoms including life-threatening, uncontrollable bleeding and severe bruising;

Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia is frequently misdiagnosed or undiagnosed by medical professionals;

Whereas currently there is no cure for Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia;

Whereas it is essential to educate the public on the symptoms, treatments, and constant efforts to cure Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia to insure early diagnosis and treatment of the condition;

Whereas Helen P. Smith established the Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Research Foundation in Augusta, Georgia, in 2001;

Whereas Helen P. Smith and the Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Research Foundation have worked tirelessly to promote awareness of Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia and help fund research on the disorder; and

Whereas Congress should determine an appropriate day to designate as National Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Awareness Day: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives supports the designation of a National Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Awareness Day.

Attest:

Clerk.